

VILLAGE OF BETHANY  
REGULAR BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
February 9, 2023

The regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by President Jon Book. The following Trustees were present; Dave Doty, Jeannie Ruppert, Mike Jennings, Greg McLain, and Raven Allen. Brian Gill was absent.

A motion was made by Trustee Doty to approve the minutes from the January 12, 2023, regular meeting, seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee Doty to approve the "Statement of Income and Expenses", seconded by Trustee Allen. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

A motion was made by Trustee McLain to approve the "Banks and Checks Journal", seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

**Public – IMEA Presentation by Sean McCarthy** - Mr. McCarthy is the Energy Services Rep for IMEA. Mr. McCarthy paid compliment to our utility staff and the work they do. The Village of Bethany is one of 32 members of the IMEA. He gave a brief presentation in regards to what IMEA, IMUA, and IPEA does and offers.

**Greg Gustafson Water Improvement Project Update** - Bids for electrical and detention tank were approved to be released by RD. An ad was sent to the Decatur paper for the bids and a direct bid emailed to others of interest. There have been four requests so far. Bid opening is set for March 20th at Berns & Clancey office with a pre-bid meeting set for February 27th at the Village Hall.

**Zoning Ordinances/Code** - Tabled until next month

**Employee Appreciation Dinner** - Tabled until next month

**Zoning Administrator** - This will be discussed in Executive Session

**Truck Budget** - The 1997 F-150 has 110,000ish miles and has had a lot of issues lately. This truck has had thousands of dollars of repairs. The guys have found several around the area that would work and they have all been spoken for. Manager Shannon Risley would like to ask the Board for a budget so when one is found that it could be purchased right away. The average price for a new truck needed is around \$55,000. Currently there is \$168,000 of ARPA money available that can now be used to purchase new vehicles. The Board would like to get prices on a new truck and dump truck before a decision is made.

**Reports – Police Chief Nichols**

**Correspondence – None**

**Committee Meeting Dates - None**

Trustee McLain made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel and possible litigation, seconded by Trustee Allen. Roll call taken, all ayes, motion carried.

Trustee McLain made a motion to enter back into Open Session, seconded by Trustee Ruppert. Voice vote taken, all ayes, motion carried

With no other business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee McLain and seconded by Trustee Allen. Voice vote taken, all ayes, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jackie McLain, Clerk

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Jonathan Book, President